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SUBJECT: ALLEGED ESPIONAGE BY AMERICAN SCHOLARS

REF: BELGRADE'S 1400, 2102

1. IN RECENT SERIES ARTICLES IN OSLOBODJENE, SARAJEVO DAILY, PUBLISHED ON ANNIVERSARY OF SO-CALLED "USTASHI INVASION" LAST YEAR, PROFESSOR WILLIAM LOCKWOOD AND WIFE ACCUSED OF "SUBVERSIVE" ACTIVITIES. LOCK WOOD CARRIED OUT RESEARCH ON NIMH GRANT IN YUGOSLAVIA DURING 1966-68. WAS EVICTED THEN DAYS BEFORE GRANT ENDED. HE RETURNED TO YUGOSLAVIA BRIEFLY IN 1971, BUT AGAIN WAS ASKED TO LEAVE.

2. BOTH LOCKWOOD AND WIFE PRESENTLY IN COUNTRY. SHE HAS IREX/DHEW GRANT FOR RESEARCH DURING 1973/74. PUBLICATION OF OLD, UNFOUNDED ALLEGATIONS REGARDING ESPIONAGE NOW PREJUDICES RESEARCH. RENEWAL OF ACCUSATIONS PROTESTED BY EMBASSY TO SECINFO AND FAISCETC. LETTER SENT TO EDITOR OSLOBODJENJE.

3. FAISCETC, AS OFFICIAL SPONSOR OF MRS. LOCKWOOD, EMBARRASSED OVER ACCUSATIONS. WILL COOPERATE TO TRY TO FULFILL SPONSORSHIP OBLIGATIONS BUT BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT, RESEARCH PROJECT

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WILL BE ALTERED TO AVOID BOSNIA.

4. OSLOBODJENJE ARTICLES APPEAR TO BE CONTINUATION DRIVE FOR VIGILANCY. LOCKWOODS AND FAISCETC CAUGHT IN MIDDLE. WE HOPE FOR SATISFACTORY RESOLUTION OF UNFOUNDED CHARGES AGAINST LOCKWOODS THROUGH OFFICES SECINFO, AND FAISCETC. HOWEVER, EMBASSY CONCERNED OVER FACT THAT ITS TWICE-REITERATED RECOMMENDATION TO "SHELVE" LOCKWOOD PROJECT (SEE REFTELS) WENT UNHEEDED AND UNANSWERED. WE URGE THAT SUCH SENSITIVE ACADEMIC PROJECTS BE CLEARED BY EMBASSY IN FUTURE TO AVOID POTENTIAL EMBARRASSMENT. WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING CONSIDERATIONS WHICH LED WASHINGTON TO GIVE PROJECT GREEN LIGHT.

5. FULL REPORT ON OSLOBODJENJE INCIDENT FOLLOWS WITH COMPLETE SET ARTICLES.
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